







How to change: VW Passat 3C B6
Variant rear coil springs –
replacement guide



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(i) Important!

This replacement procedure can be used for: VW PASSAT (3C2) 2.0 TDI, VW PASSAT (3C2) 2.0 TDI 4motion, VW PASSAT Variant (3C5) 2.0 TDI

The steps may slightly vary depending on the car design.

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REPLACEMENT: COIL SPRINGS – VW PASSAT 3C5. LIST OF THE TOOLS YOU'LL NEED:



- Wire brush
- WD-40 spray
- Brake cleaner
- Copper grease
- Combination spanner #18
- Drive socket # 18

- Wheel impact socket #17
- Ratchet wrench
- Torque wrench
- Crow bar
- Hydraulic transmission jack
- Wheel chock

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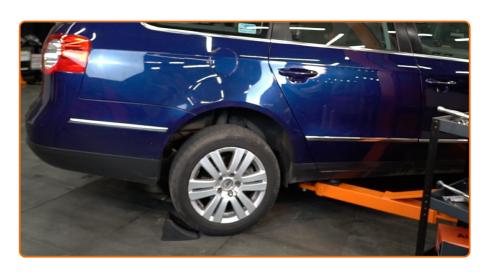


Replacement: coil springs – Passat B6 3C Variant. AUTODOC recommends:

- Both coil springs of the rear suspension should be replaced simultaneously.
- The replacement procedure is identical for the left and right coil springs of the rear suspension.
- All work should be done with the engine stopped.

REPLACEMENT: COIL SPRINGS – VW PASSAT VARIANT B6. RECOMMENDED SEQUENCE OF STEPS:

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Secure the wheels with chocks.

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Loosen the wheel mounting bolts. Use wheel impact socket #17.

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Raise the rear of the car and secure on supports.

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Unscrew the wheel bolts.

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• To avoid injury, hold up the wheel when unscrewing the bolts.

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Remove the wheel.

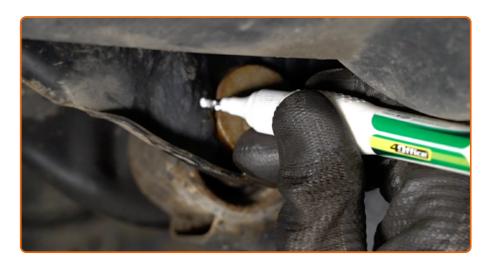
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Clean all joints of the arm. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.

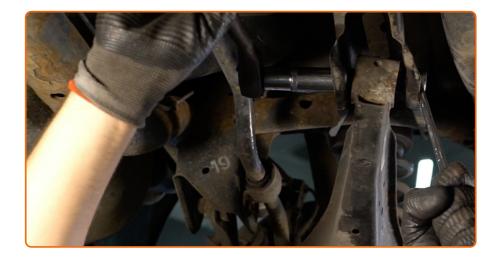
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Make a mark on the camber adjustment bolt.

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Unscrew the arm fastening to the beam. Use a combination spanner #18. Use a drive socket #18. Use a ratchet wrench.

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Support the arm. Use a hydraulic transmission jack.

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Unscrew the fastener connecting the control arm to the rear knuckle. Use a combination spanner #18. Use a drive socket #18. Use a ratchet wrench.

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Remove the fastening bolt. Use a crowbar.

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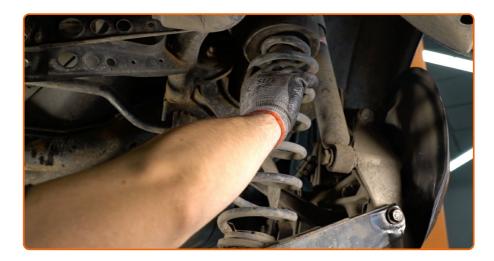


Remove the support from under the arm.

AUTODOC recommends:

 Replacement: coil springs – Passat 3C5. Lower the transmission jack smoothly, without jerks, to avoid damaging components and mechanisms.

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Remove the spring.

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Clean the mounting seats and the thread of the suspension arm. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.

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Clean the coil spring mounting seats. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.

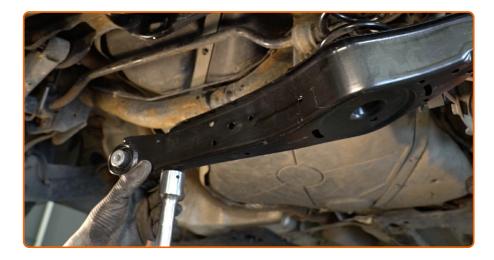
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Install the coil spring together with the rubber mounts into the mounting seats.

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Support the arm. Use a hydraulic transmission jack.

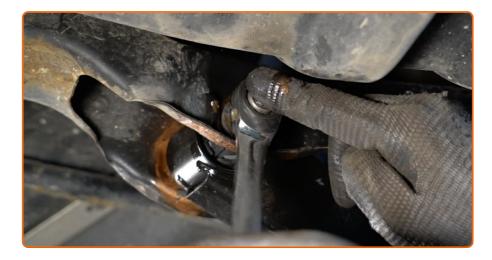
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Install the fastening bolt. Use a crowbar.

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Screw in the fastener connecting the control arm to the rear subframe. Use a combination spanner #18. Use a drive socket #18. Use a ratchet wrench.

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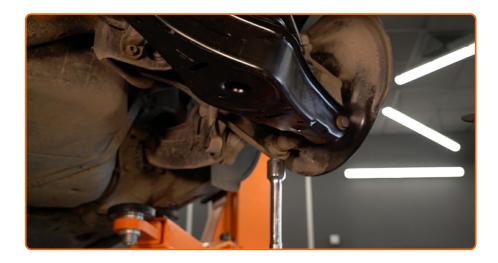


Remove the support from under the arm.

Replacement: coil springs – VW Passat 3C5. AUTODOC experts recommend:

 Lower the hydraulic transmission jack smoothly, without jerks, to avoid damaging assemblies and mechanisms.

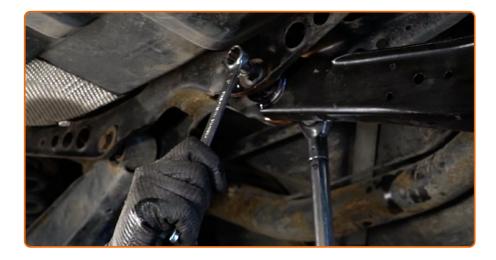
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Support the stub axle. Use a hydraulic transmission jack.

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Tighten the arm fastening to the beam. Use a combination spanner #18. Use a drive socket #18. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 95 Nm torque.

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Tighten the fasteners connecting the control arm to the rear knuckle. Use a combination spanner #18. Use a drive socket #18. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 90 Nm torque.

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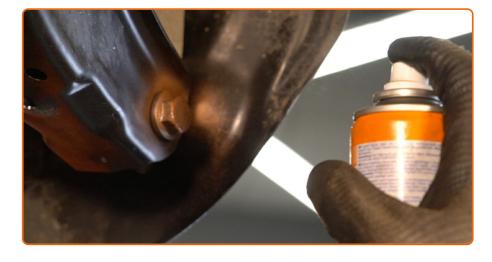


Remove the support from under the stub axle.

Replacement: coil springs – VW Passat B6 3C Variant. Tip from AUTODOC:

 Lower the hydraulic transmission jack smoothly, without jerks, to avoid damaging assemblies and mechanisms.

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Treat all joints of the arm. Use copper grease.

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Treat the surface where the brake disc contacts the wheel rim. Use copper grease.

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Clean the brake disk surface. Use a brake cleaner.

AUTODOC recommends:

 Replacement: coil springs – VW Passat 3C B6 Variant. After applying the spray, wait a few minutes.

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Install the wheel.

Replacement: coil springs – Passat Variant B6. Tip:

 To avoid injury, hold up the wheel when screwing in the fastening bolts.

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Screw in the wheel bolts. Use wheel impact socket #17.

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Lower the car and working in a cross order, tighten the wheel bolts. Use wheel impact socket #17. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 120 nm torque.

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Remove the jacks and chocks.

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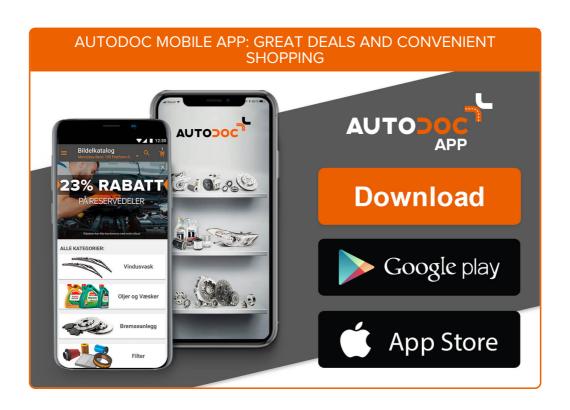


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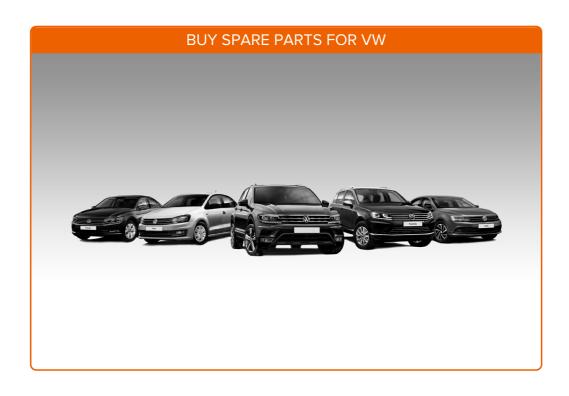
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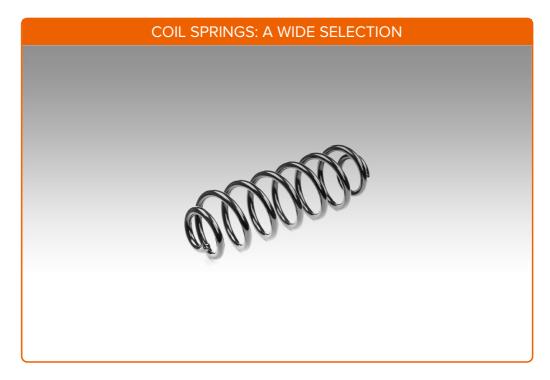




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